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Another James Francis Roche, of Shanghai, Empire of China, clerk in the employ of Imperial Maritime Chinese Customs, make and say as follows:—

thought to give them a holiday, when one day I was very much surprised by receiving notice from Mr. Ellis of a bill for \$350, a bill which I had no idea of. I was very much annoyed over this, and I took the bill up to her and showed it to her in the room. A quarrel ensued between us and I left the room. I at once went to Weeks & Co.'s, and there I found another bill of \$126 I went to Rotenwiegl's and found a bill for \$48, and at Yuet Sunp's a bill for \$40. This woman was doing her best to ruin me. She never told me a word about these bills. This was in August, 1894. Before this time I had been very much annoyed over this, and I was most thrifty.

His Lordship—By this time her acquaintance with the co-respondent had begun?—Yes, it began early in 1892.

Witness proceeding said—At this time I was in the habit of giving my salary into her hands every month. I used to come home every month and deposit it in her hands. With the exception of once, when I had to pay my broker for a bill of exchange, unfortunately I never gave her a penny of my salary. At the end of every month, I kept absolutely nothing. My wife paid every bill. I never saw a bill. In the first place my health was so very feeble that anything like that would have annoyed me. To speak half a dozen words was a trouble. I used to feel aversion to anybody coming into the room or speaking to me.

Mr. Ellis—Where were you living in 1893?—At 5 and 6, Nanking Road.

Can you tell me whether anything particular took place during that year?—Yes, one day she was very ill when I went to the office and she was very ill when I came back to town.

What month was this?—About the 7th of October, 1893. My wife was illing that day and I was anxious about her, as I always was, so at about half-past two I went home. I went into the bedroom. She was not there. Then I went into the bathroom. There she was sitting, dressing and I saw round her a lock of hair which I immediately seized. I said to her "What's that you have round your neck?" and she at once grasped my hand and said, "I'll show you." She then opened it and got her thumb over one portion of it. On the other side was her own photograph, but under her thumb I could not see, so I snatched it away, and there, under her thumb, I found, Mr. Ruttenje's photograph. I immediately drew the lock of hair off her neck. I put it in my pocket and took it to the Custom House. That night I called my wife into the bedroom. She was in the nursery at the time and I made her take a solemn oath before God that she had not committed adultery with Mr. Ruttenje. She did so and after taking a solemn oath she turned to me and said, "Now, do you want me to swear that I never kissed him also?" I believed her. I would have liked believing the woman whom I had loved and once I had believed I thought she had never been imprudent, but I never thought her guilty, never.

After she had sworn to you?—In this solemn manner that she had not committed adultery with Mr. Ruttenje, did you say anything to her?—Yes, after discussing this question over for a considerable time I was very much annoyed, and I told her she had better go to Japan. I thought perhaps that she was growing fond of this man and I was annoyed.

The next day, according to the diary was Sunday; did anything take place that day?—Yes, my wife got up and dressed herself rather early. I thought that it was singular, but she thought she was going to Church. She went out at about 7 or 7.30 and did not return until 1.30. The service at the Roman Catholic Church commenced at about 6 a.m. and go on very half-hour, I think, until about 10.

When she came back, apparently from Church, did she say anything to you?—We were discussing about her going to Japan and she said that she was not going by the Nippon Yusen Kaisha steamer that week, but by the French mail. I did not either agree or dissent, but at that night, when I was sitting and smoking in the bedroom, she thought struck me it was strange she should know anything about the movements of the steamers, and she thought assured through my brain that during the morning.

When you say "him" whom do you mean?—Mr. Ruttenje. At once went and accused her of having been with him. She prevaricated a great deal and fumbled in her language, and after a time she admitted she had seen him, and she told in the Szechuen Road. Then, I thought, perhaps she had been up to his rooms, and I asked her with it. I could see I had dropped on the floor and she accused her still more strongly, and I said she was lying. She then came up to my room. Then I told her she must leave her room. When you told her she must leave your room, did she say?—She agreed to it with alacrity. She was quite willing. She left in a day or two and went to the French Hotel, I think on the 17th of October, 1893. I saw her at one of the windows of the Hotel afterwards. I think she remained there until she went to the Institution of the Holy Family, about the 21st or 22nd of October.

Do you know the handwriting of the co-respondent?—Yes. That letter (produced) is in his handwriting.

Mr. Ellis—There is no particular year on this letter. It is dated 3rd June, but I think Mr. Hansson will admit that it is written in 1894. Mr. Hansson—Yes, it is apparently written in 1894. The witness has not stated how he got possession of that letter.

His Lordship—How do you account for the possession of that letter?

Witness—I found it with others in her trunk but the 10th of October, 1894. I found a bundle.

His Lordship—Roughly, how many?

Witness—About sixty.

His Lordship—All in the handwriting of the co-respondent?

Mr. Ellis then proceeded to read the letter, which was an extremely long one, and seemingly written at different times. It will be sufficient to give extracts from it.

My Maud, my Maud, my own dearest, darling, my loving wife, Maud—Oh, my love, my life, my all in all! This Sunday, love, the 10th, 11 a.m. Darling, I did not write to you last yesterday, after I received your most kind and loving note, for although the note was full of it, yet I was greatly disappointed with it, and I was very much annoyed. I thought, love, you do not get strong, love, and I think me very, very melancholy and exceedingly sad. Darling, oh, how I wish you were with me so that we could share one another's pain, and one another's weaknesses, and try to cheer up one another. Why should we wait until the 10th of December, I do not know, darling, for your year will be up on the 31st of November, and since I have not written to you consistently over the year, I am full of the most cordial love to you. Happy, happy day! Well, love, I read your note and I am so much at fault. Yes, darling, and I felt so sorrowful about you that I went and lay down on the bed, where we had so often and often laid together. I read your loving note again, while I was lying down and after reading it I fell asleep, darling. When I woke up at 3 p.m. I thought and thought so much of the evening that I tried to go to bed. I went to bed at 10 p.m. I had read the 2.30 p.m. prayer. I went to the Club and washed my hands and face. There were only two other men in the

ever called upon to do so. I felt like dying after I saw your note, but I must try to make things right. I will do my best to satisfy the desire. The truth is, I am not sure if this is my prayer to God, but I hope you will be a Christian and I will spend a happy Christmas and New Year."

Witness, continuing, said that at the end of 1893 he received an anonymous letter advising him to effect a reconciliation to ascertain the truth of certain statements. These were that the respondent was in the habit, when at Nos. 5 and 6, Nanking Road, of leaving the house at 12 o'clock in the morning and not returning, and two weeks later; that she was in the habit of going out in her dressing-gown in the afternoon with a bundle of clothes under her arm, and not returning until about dinner time completely clad; and, that, moreover, at the Mib-ho-long Ball, the writer and his wife had kept the respondent and co-respondent at the Ball, whilst the petitioner was in the smoking-room, and not return for half-an-hour afterwards. When taxed with this the respondent denied, saying she said she had never been imprudent, but nothing more. The letters which had been discovered contained the statements as to the respondent leaving her home at one and two in the morning. In a letter dated 11th June, 1894, the co-respondent wrote: "Love, do you remember how I used to cry and smother the sound of opening bottles when you used to come home at twelve, midnight, or 1 o'clock? Why lingered you in misery. From your contact from another letter was read to the witness, a most obscene paragraph from another. About the 15th of October, 1894, in consequence of a letter from the convict, witness went there and learned his wife had been taken to the hospital, apparently in a state of intoxication. He went into his wife's bedroom and found it almost filled with wines of various kinds, and empty calichey bottles and other rubbish, and found the bestial letters." The witness said that the "foolish" letters were convinced of his wife's guilt for the first time in his life. He went to the hospital and insisted upon seeing his wife. When he went into her room she was sitting up in bed. "As I entered," said the witness, she threw up her arms and said "Don't approach me, Arthur." I said "I will not come to approach you. I have come to tell you the things you have made." I told her that I had found the letters and asked her what she proposed to do. She said "The Sisters would receive her again and I would not let her go to the hospital." I said "What do you propose to do to him?" She said "I will go to him." I said "Go to him, and mark my words, you will be a miserable death yet." An hour after that he left the hospital, and I believe she went and lay with the co-respondent.

Witness then read extracts from the correspondence to show that the co-respondent had been constant endeavouring to frustrate a conciliation, and urging the respondent to persist upon having her allowance, and to treat the petitioner in the most distant manner.

Witness, in reply to further questions, said his wife for some time had been in the habit of writing epistles, and he had done all he could to get her of the habit, going so far as to request the chemists to refuse to serve her. She, however, managed to procure the drugs. Until the respondent's behaviour alienated her affections, the respondent was a good wife, and witness's married life was very happy.

Cross-examined by Mr. Hanson the witness adhered to his statement that up to discovery of the letters he did not believe his wife had mis-conducted herself. It was correct he had instituted proceedings for divorce prior to that, but he had discontinued them.

Mr. Hanson—How was it you were so long in coming out that your wife had committed adultery?

Witness—I was the 1st man in Shanghai to know; my best friends would not tell me. I did not suspicion. I was a blind fool for some time on a fool, but I have been an honorable fool.

Witness added that in the first suit, which was for divorce, he did not claim damages. He was now suing for a judicial separation because, as a Catholic, he regarded his marriage as indissoluble. He remembered receiving a letter from Reeks dated 2nd of October, 1894 (produced) from Reeks, dated and tending to be paid a certain allowance. To that he wrote reply—

"Seek legal advice, if you desire to know where you can get it except from your 'dearest'—I will give you 'dear Pyram.' No one in God's world will make me pay you this month. I will not get it. I suppose you have been paying more bargles, or giving that thiel of a quarter of your 16 yards of suit to make dresses, which women only require 10 or 11. Or, if you have been scattering your money with a profusely hand, I am sorry you have been spending your money. You imprecident creature. You make me hate you more and more. Thank God, I clear of you. You are a perfect dead end."

A. J. REEKS.

Mr. Hanson—You have religious scruples about getting a divorce, but I understand those scruples do not attach to getting a little money on the sly?

Witness—Fardon me—for the jury that man does not know.

Mr. Hanson—What age was your wife when you married?

Witness—She was 17 and I was 28. I think.

Re-examined by Mr. Ellis—You are not a Catholic, but there is no law in the Roman Catholic religion which says you are not to apply damages?

Witness—No, there is not.

Mr. W. E. Harris, mercantile assistant in the employ of Messrs. Hansen and Trading Company, was called in evidence by the petitioner. He is 35 years of age, and at the year of the office being in charge of the Hong, at the year of the office being in charge of the Club Chambers. The petitioner produced was an associate one of the locality. He knew the respondent (Mrs. Reeks) well, and during the past twelve months had in her several times enter the compound from Nanking Road and continue in the direction of the Bund without going on to the Bund. He usually called her the fermata, but had heard her called "Mick." She was always alone.

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ailing it, and in two months I was strong and as well as ever. My husband and friends were astonished, and I assured them that Seigle's Syrup had done it. Yours truly, (Signed) ELIZA MATHEWS."

The point is plain enough. The convict slept soundly because he was a healthy man, although he was a wicked one. Our rich fellow rolled about all night because his nerves were unstrung by the state of his stomach. Our correspondent was prostrated by the same thing—indigestion and dyspepsia. The remedy cannot cure her because it has the roots and herbs the reason remains a secret with the roots and herbs from which it is made. Yet so long as it drives away disease and gives us back our health and strength, who cares for its mystery? Results, not arguments, so what we all want.

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